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TO: Transportation Committee

RE: HB 5951, An Act Concerning Jake Brakes

Please read this letter into the meeting transcript.

I urge you to pass *HB 5951, An Act Concerning Jake Brakes*, as proposed by Representative Aman, namely that the general statutes be amended to authorize municipalities to ban the use of compression release engine brakes and to enforce such ban through the use of appropriate signage.

I concur with the letters submitted by A.D. Macro and Kathryn Kerrigan, and commend Representative Aman on introducing this bill. Jake braking is not just a problem for our neighborhood, it is becoming recognized country-wide as a contributor to growing noise pollution which is disruptive not only to humans, but to wildlife as well.

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